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SUBJ: PROPOSED MEETING WITH RWANDAN FBNMIN NSEKALIJE AT USUN

FOR AF ASS'T SEC'Y EASUM

REF: KIGALI 0507

1. AS INDICATED REFTTEL, I BELEIVE IT IMPORTANT THAT YOU (OR OTHER RANKING USG OFFICIAL) MEET WITH FONMIN NSEKAOIJE AT UNGA TO STRESS IMPORTANCE TO USG OF RWANDAN POSITIONS ON INDO-CHINA ISSUES INCLUDING PRG-GRUNK RECOGNITION. MY IMPORESSION AT THIS POINT IS THAT WE HAVE SUCCEDED IN PUTTING A "HOLD" ON RECOGNITION, BUT LONGER-TERM PROSPECTS ARE QUESTIONABLE. SUCH A MEETING IS PARTICULARLLY IMPOR- TANT SINCE FONMIN HAS JUST RETURNED FROM MONTH-LONG TRIP WHERE HE RECEIVED OPPOSITE SIDE OF STORY FROM SUCH NOTABLES AS PRC FONMIN CHI PENG-FEI AND DPRK PRESIDENT KIM IL SUNG. WE THUS NEED A FORM OF RANK AND SUBSTANTIVE COUNTER-FORCE TO TRY TO MAINTAIN THE STATUS QUO.

2. IF MEETING ARRANGED, FONMIN WILL CERTAINLY RAISE QUESTION USG ASSISTANCE. I WOULD RECOMMEND YOUR RESPONSE BE AS FOLLOWS:

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A. USG HAS MOVED OVER RECENT MONTHS QUICKLY TO

IMPLEMENT "MODEST BUT SIGNIFICANT" AMOUNT OF ASSISTANCE (FOOD STORAGE PROJECT (\$800,000), PL-480 (\$670,000) AND SELF-HELP (\$100,000). OTHER PROJECTS BEING EXAMINED.

B. USG HAS GOR REQUEST FOR EMERGENCY FOOD ASSISTANCE UNDER SYMPATHETIC CONSIDERATION.

C. USG PREPARED IN PRINCIPLE UPGRADE KIGALI WATER-WORKS TO IMPROVE QUALITY CURRENT FLOW. (THIS HAS BEEN APPROVED IN PRINCIPLE IN FY 75 FBS (STATE 200135). WATER PLANT SURVEY ARRANGED FOLLOWING FONMIN'S REQUEST TO YOU LAST JUNE. SUCH ANNOUNCEMENT WOULD CONFIRM YOUR CREDIBILITY --AND MEMORY.)

3. UNFORTUNATELY, NSEKALIJE STAY IN NEW YORK WILL BE ELIMITED. HE INTENDS ARRIVE SAT. SEPT. 29 AND DEPART A.M. THURSDAY, OCT 3 FOLLOWING UNGA SPEECH OCT. 2. FONMIN NOTED DURING SEPT 17 CONVERSATION HE WILL NOT RPT NOT BE ABLE VISIT WASHINGTON. HE ADDED THAT WHILE HE WAS NOT SEEKING ANY MEETINGS, HE WOULD NATURALLY BE AVAILABLE AT UN. FRITTS

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